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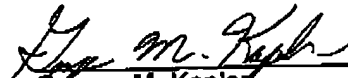
Sir:

An amendment in response to a Final Office Action was filed and received by the Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application on July 12, 2005. A check of the PAIR system indicates the amendment was forwarded to the Examiner on July 14, 2005, docketed to the Examiner on July 22, 2005 and a Notice of Allowability issued by the Examiner on July 22, 2005. The Examiner has said, in a telephone call, that he has allowed this application, however, no more recent information on status appears on the PAIR system.

Accordingly, please provide a update on status of the above-identified application.

Thank you very much.

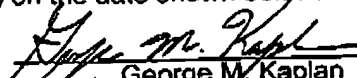
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